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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: Confirmation No.: 3923  
Takeyoshi NAKAMURA et al. Art Unit: 1742  
Application No.: 10/648,831 Examiner: Sikyin Ip  
Filed: August 27, 2003 Attorney Dkt. No.: 107348-00363  
For: PROCESS FOR THERMALLY TREATING LIGHT ALLOY CASTING

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 22, 2005

Sir:

Applicants petition for an extension of time for three months for response to the outstanding Office Action dated June 22, 2005 from September 22, 2005 to December 22, 2005.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2300 in the amount of \$120.00 to cover the fee discussed above, **referencing docket number 107348-00363**. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, **referencing docket number 107348-00363**.

Respectfully submitted,



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